

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, On march 29, 1882, the Knights of Columbus, a vision in the mind and heart of its Founder, Father Michael J. McGivney, was chartered by the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut; and,

WHEREAS, From that day even until now over 7,000 councils representing some 1,350,000 members and their families in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Guam, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, and Philippines have given untiring service toward building up the moral and spiritual fiber of the communities in which they live; and,

WHEREAS, The generous dedication of the Knights of Columbus throughout the past 99 years of its life has been of significant importance in fostering the mission of Evangelization of the Catholic Church in the modern world; and,

WHEREAS, This love and support for the Catholic Church and its Popes, especially Pope John Paul II, has given cause for our Holy Father John Paul II to compliment and encourage the Knights of Columbus during his pastoral visitations around the globe;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, in celebration with the Knights of Columbus on the occasion of their one hundred years of dedication to the virtuous principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, do hereby proclaim March 25-31, 1982, as

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WEEK

In South Dakota, and every official and citizen of South Dakota is asked to recognize and offer congratulations to the Knights of Columbus and their families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of February, In the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-two



WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST.



ALICE KUMBERT, SECRETARY OF STATE